

WHY PRIVATIZATION OF CATARACT DAM IS A WIN - WIN PLAN

1. Allows the end users of the stored water to manage the water to its fullest beneficial use in the agriculture production of FOOD ie. BEEF, WHEAT, POTATOES ETC.
2. Will provide new jobs for increased agriculture production including training and development programs for young workers which we already have in place.
3. Protects and adds to the stabilization of our tax base, schools, local businesses, and citizens. This will provide steady revenues for now as well as far into the future.
4. Allows the DNRC to concentrate on its many other projects and saves the State of Montana time and money.
5. Allows the local water users to better monitor the dam for safety .
6. Will enable the Cataract Water Users to move ahead after 50 years of paralysis thru over analysis on what to do about Cataract Dam.

In Summary, please approve this bill so we can raise more FOOD to help feed not only our own hungry citizens of the State of Montana but also the rest of the world.

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